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What is RECODE?

The Policy RECommendations for Open Access to Research Data in Europe (RECODE) project leverages existing networks, communities and projects to address challenges within the open access and data dissemination and preservation sector and produce policy recommendations for open access to research data based on existing good practice.

What do the RECODE recommendations offer?

The RECODE project has identified relevant stakeholders, builds upon and strengthened existing stakeholder engagement mechanisms. It has conducted studies of good practice and exchanged good practice principles with relevant stakeholders and institutions during networking activities in 2013 and 2014. The RECODE project has culminated in a series of policy recommendations for open access to research data targeted at different stakeholders and policy-makers. This fact sheet is aimed specifically at research funder

What are the RECODE recommendations?

RECODE Recommendations provide clear guidelines in implementing open access to research data. These recommendations are based on in-depth research using four disciplinary case studies to inform research funders.

The recommendations cover key issues in the four key areas of an open access ecosystem, which are:

- Stakeholder values and ecosystems.
- Technological and infrastructural issues.
- Legal and ethical issues.
- Institutional challenges.

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1. Develop explicit policies for open access to research data with clear roles and responsibilities.
2. Adopt a comprehensive approach in funding the implementation of open access to and preservation of research data.
3. Reinforce the significance of the Data Management Plans (DMP) as a tool to embed and promote data management as a distinct activity within the research process.
4. Raise awareness and promote open research data in view of leading an open science paradigm.
5. Foster collaboration with relevant stakeholders and networks.

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